

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following paragraph on page 1 after the title of the application:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a national phase application of International Application PCT/JP2004/001928, filed February 19, 2004, which claims priority based on Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-42744, filed February 20, 2003, which are incorporated herein by reference.

Please delete the paragraph beginning at line 9 on page 1 and ending at line 10 before the heading “BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION.”

Please replace the heading on page 6 at line 19, with the following:

~~DISCLOSURE SUMMARY~~ OF INVENTION.

Please replace the heading on page 8 at line 1, with the following:

~~BEST MODE FOR CARRYING OUT~~ DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION.